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**Subject:** Re: Stop global warming - Don't Adopt MLPA

To DFG and Commission and Governor,

Guess that is government for you. I did not get a reply. How come you will not admit that your MLPA policy will make all people who want to go sport fishing in the ocean drive a lot further to catch the exact same fish, just from a different fishing hole. It makes me very mad to read about all the global warming plans and promises. The right hand appears to totally ignore what the left hand is doing. The EPA should stop the DFG and the Commission from doing MLPA.

I think I heard there are 1 million sport fishermen in California that buy a fishing license every year like I do. So if they each go fishing even 1 time their car or truck must go about 25% further to go fishing, then YOU have increased pollution 25%. For no reason. How come you don't admit this is a side effect of your plan? You want to cover up the truth it seems. And you have not saved anything with MLPA. The fishing limits are still the same and so you haven't saved any fish. I think it is all fake and you just want to get votes and money by pretend to be an environmentalist. All you need to do is look below the surface and your policies conflict.

**Bill Richmond** <bl\_rchmnd@yahoo.com> wrote:

Dear Commissioners,

I am writing to ask you to think about what you are doing with the MLPA and not to vote for it.

The Governor has been on us in the auto industry to lower emissions and greenhouse gasses from cars. To lower the amount of fuel we consume and the amount of pollutants into the sky, we need to drive less often and go shorter distances.

With the MLPA, you are making us do just the opposite. It will have the effect of increasing pollution by shutting so many areas down. The increased air pollution will lead to increases in global warming. How can you vote for a plan that makes more emissions? You are making me, and every other fisherman, drive much much further on boats and in cars that pollute just to get to areas we still can fish. That is stupid when I can catch the same fish a lot closer. Is the MLPA more important to Californians than global warming? I dont think so and I doubt the governor thinks so either.

Did anyone analyze the environmental impact of this part of your MLPA process? Or the cost of extra fuel? I did not read anywhere in your papers that the MLPA looked at this and it a huge oversight in your analysis. I request that you provide a full accounting of additional gas that will be burned by closing 25 percent of the coast and what the governor thinks of that. The MLPA is only making people expend needless amounts of fossil fuels getting to further distances.

With gas prices as they are, the Department and Commission should be sincere to the goal of curbing emissions and stop the MLPA. Keep all the coast open to fishing. Thank you.

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